

# Inexact Krylov Subspace Methods for PDEs and Control Problems

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## Problem Statement

Solve a system  $Hx = b$ ,  $H$  Hermitian or non-Hermitian using Krylov subspace iterative methods

$$\mathcal{K}_m(H, r_0) = \text{span}\{r_0, Hr_0, H^2r_0, \dots, H^{m-1}r_0\}.$$

Given  $x_0$ ,  $r_0 = b - Hx_0$ , find approximation

$$x_m \in x_0 + \mathcal{K}_m(H, r_0),$$

satisfying some property:

Petrov-Galerkin, e.g., GMRES, MINRES:

$$x_m = \arg \min\{\|b - Hx\|_2\}, \quad x \in x_0 + \mathcal{K}_m(H, r_0)$$

Galerkin, e.g., FOM, CG:  $b - Hx_m \perp \mathcal{K}_m(H, r_0)$

## Krylov subspace methods (cont.)

- Methods work by suitably choosing a basis of  $\mathcal{K}_m(H, r_0)$
- Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m$  be such a basis, chosen to be orthonormal.
- With  $V_m = [v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m]$ , obtain Arnoldi relation:

$$HV_m = V_{m+1}H_{m+1,m} = V_m H_m + h_{m+1,m} v_{m+1} e_m^T$$

$H_{m+1,m}$  is  $(m+1) \times m$  upper Hessenberg

- Each method finds  $y_m$  so that  $x_m = x_0 + V_m y_m$
- **Main costs:**
  1. Matrix-vector product:  $Hv_k$
  2. Orthogonalization
  3. Storage (if there is no recursion)

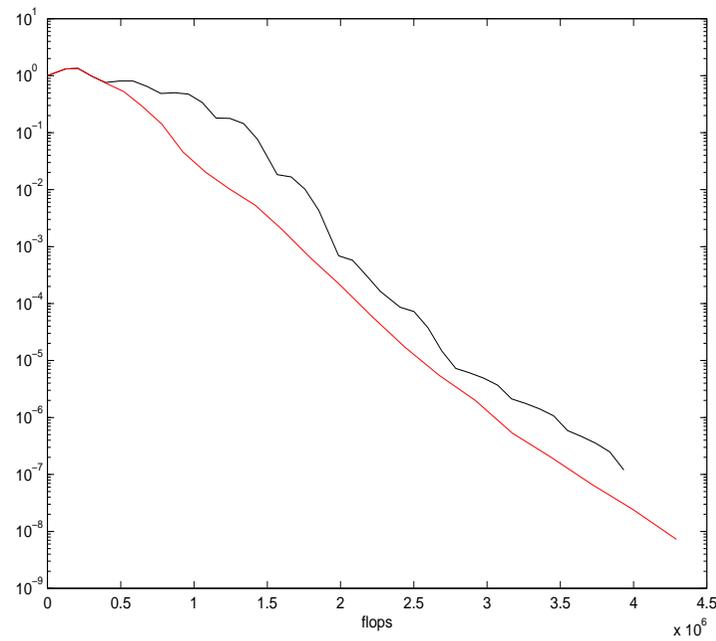
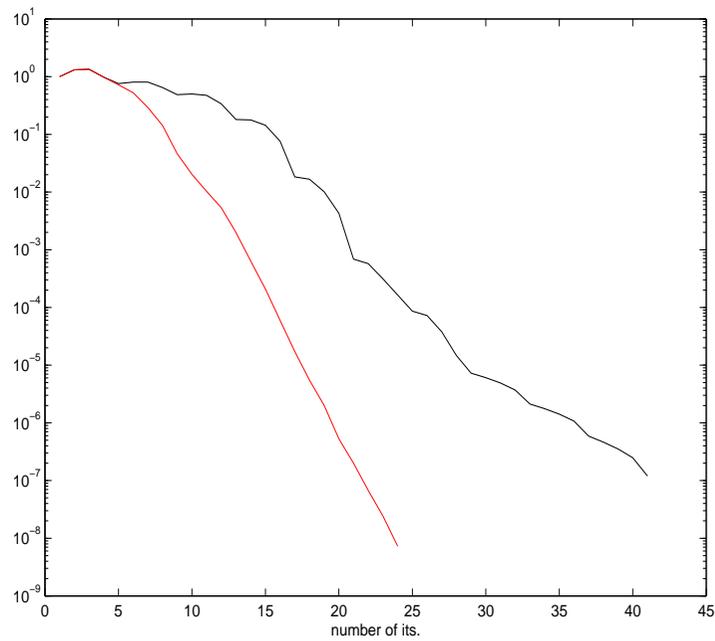
## This Talk

- Consider the case when one does not fully orthogonalize:  
Truncated methods.
- Reduce the cost of matrix-vector product when  $H$  is either
  - Not known exactly
  - Computationally expensive (e.g., Schur complement, reduced Hessian)
  - Preconditioned with variable matrix (i.e., iteration dependent)

## Truncated Krylov subspace methods

- Only orthogonalize with respect to some fixed number  $k$  of previous vectors [Saad, 1983, 1996].
- $H_{m+1,m}$  banded with upper semiband  $k - 2$ .  
Matrix with basis vectors  $V_m$  not orthogonal.  
Can be implemented so that only  $O(k)$  vectors are stored.
- Extreme case,  $k = 3$ ,  $H_{m+1,m}$  tridiagonal.  
If  $H$  is SPD, FOM reduces to CG (and  $V_m$  automatically orthogonal).
- Theory for “non-optimal methods” [Simoncini and Szyld, 2005]

**Example:**  $L(u) = -u_{xx} + -u_{yy} + 100(x + y)u_x + 100(x + y)u_y$ , on  $[0, 1]^2$ ,  
 Dirichlet b.c., centered 5 pts. discretization,  $n = 2500$ .



**GMRES**, Truncated  $k = 3$ .

## Inexact Krylov subspace methods

- At the  $k$ th iteration of the Krylov space method use

$$(H + D_k)v_{k-1} \text{ instead of } Hv_{k-1},$$

where  $\|D_k\|$  can be monitored

- [Bouras, Frayssé, and Giraud, CERFACS reports 2000, SIMAX 2005] show experimentally that **as  $k$  progresses  $\|D_k\|$  can be allowed to be larger**; see also [Sleijpen and van der Eshof, 2004]

## Inexact Krylov (cont.)

We repeat:  $\|D_k\|$  small at first,  $\|D_k\|$  can be big later.  
Convergence is maintained!

- Instead of  $HV_m = V_{m+1}H_{m+1,m}$  we have now

$$[(H + D_1)v_1, (H + D_2)v_2, \dots, (H + D_m)v_m] = V_{m+1}H_{m+1,m}$$

- Subspace spanned by  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m$  is not a Krylov subspace, but  $V_m$  orthogonal (in the full case)

Theorem for Inexact FOM  
[Simoninci and Szyld, 2003]

True residual:  $r_m = b - Hx_m = r_0 - HV_m y_m$

Computed residual(e.g.):  $\tilde{r}_m = r_0 - V_{m+1}H_{m+1,m}y_m = r_0 - W_m y_m$

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . If for every  $k \leq m$ ,

$$\|D_k\| \leq \frac{\sigma_{\min}(H_{m_*})}{m_*} \frac{1}{\|\tilde{r}_{k-1}\|} \varepsilon \equiv \ell_m^F \frac{1}{\|\tilde{r}_{k-1}\|} \varepsilon ,$$

then  $\|V_m^T r_m\| \leq \varepsilon$  and  $\|r_m - \tilde{r}_m\| \leq \varepsilon$ .

$m_*$  being the maximum number of iterations allowed

(Similar results for inexact GMRES)

## Theorem for Inexact **Truncated** FOM

$$\|D_k\| \leq \frac{\sigma_{\min}(H_{m_*})\sigma_{\min}(V_m)}{m_*} \frac{1}{\|\tilde{r}_{k-1}\|} \varepsilon \equiv \ell_m^{TF} \frac{1}{\|\tilde{r}_{k-1}\|} \varepsilon ,$$

implies  $\|V_m^T r_m\| \leq \varepsilon$  and  $\delta_m = \|r_m - \tilde{r}_m\| \leq \varepsilon$ .

### Notes:

- This result applies in particular to **Inexact CG**  
Better criterion than above for ICG [Du, 2007]
- $\ell_m$  can be estimated from problem, if information is available.

## First Experiment

$H = \text{diag}([10^{-4}, 2, 3, \dots, 100])$   $D_k = \text{symm} [\alpha_k \text{randn}(100, 100)]$   
 $b = \text{randn}(100, 1)$  We chose  $\varepsilon = 10^{-8}$

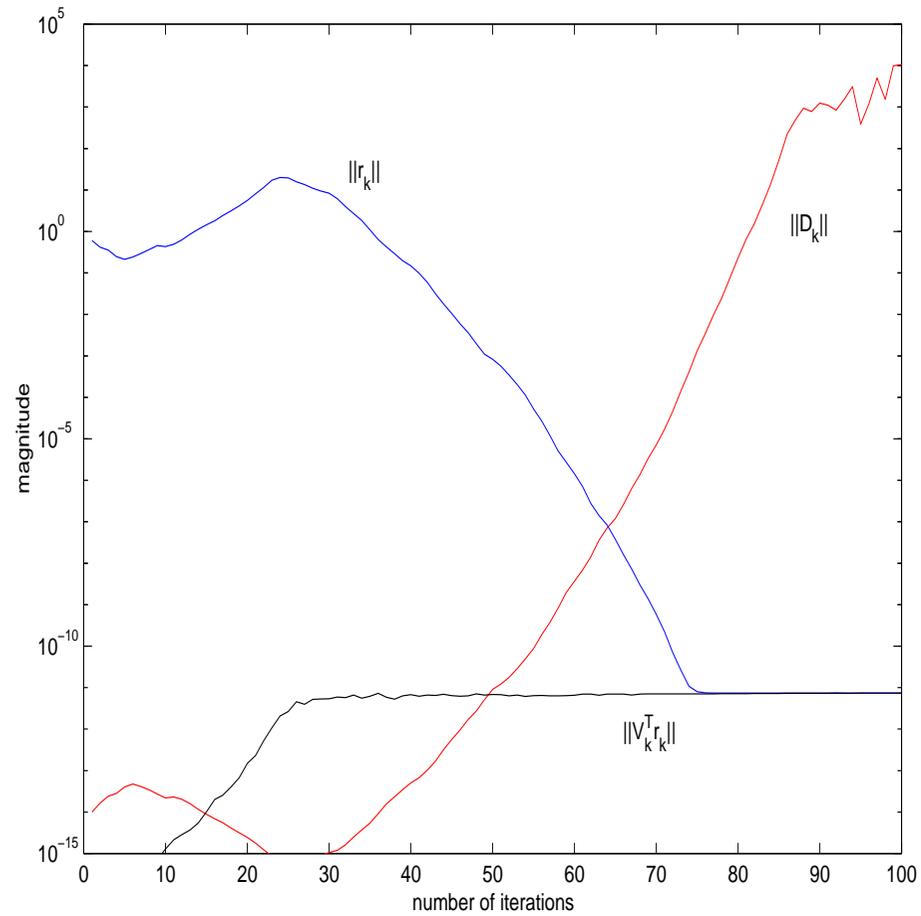
- Our condition (e.g. for FOM)

$$\|D_k\| \leq \frac{\sigma_{\min}(H)}{m_*} \frac{1}{\|\tilde{r}_{k-1}\|} \varepsilon$$

is very conservative. In most cases it is too strict.

However,  $\sigma_{\min}(H)$  does play a role.

CG: condition  $\|D_k\| \leq \frac{\sigma_{\min}(H)}{m_*} \frac{1}{\|\tilde{r}_{k-1}\|} \varepsilon$



$\|V_m^T r_m\| \ll \varepsilon$

## Applications:

### I. Schur complement systems

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} w \\ x \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$B^T A^{-1} B x = B^T A^{-1} f; \quad A w = f - B x$$

$$H x = b$$

$A^{-1}$  not exactly (use Krylov method).

## Applications: I. Schur complement systems (cont.)

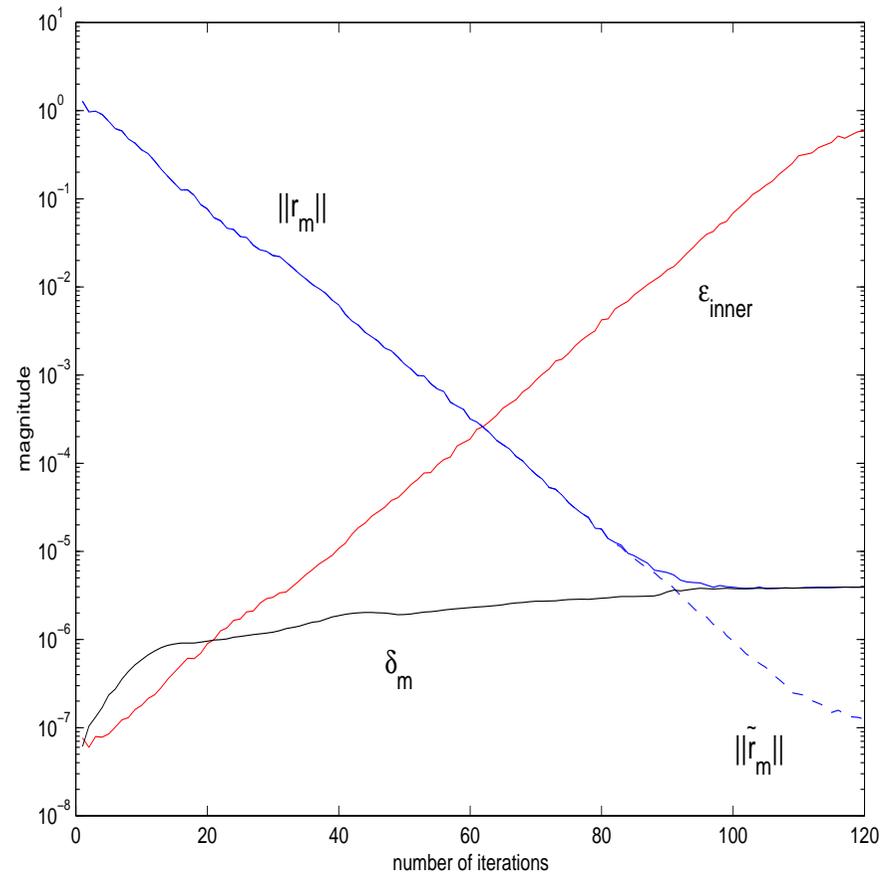
- $A^{-1}$  not exactly (use Krylov method).
- Replace  $Hv$  with  $\mathcal{H}v = B^T z_j^{(k)}$ , where  $z_j^{(k)}$  is the approximation obtained at the  $j$ th (inner) iteration of the solution to the equation

$$Az = Bv$$

- Question is then: **How many inner iterations?**  
i.e., at what value of  $j$  stop?  
“Translate” conditions on  $\|D_k\|$  to conditions on norm of inner residual.

Let  $r_k^{inner} = Az_j^{(k)} - Bv$  be the inner residual

Take 
$$\|r_k^{inner}\| < \frac{\sigma_{m_*}(H_{m_*})}{\|B^T A^{-1}\| m_*} \frac{1}{\|\tilde{r}_{k-1}^{fom}\|} \varepsilon \equiv \varepsilon_{inner}$$



- Two-dim. saddle point magnetostatic problem from [Perugia, Simoncini, Arioli, 1999],  $A$  is  $1272 \times 1272$
- Inexact FOM,  $m_{\star} = 120$ ,  $\varepsilon = 10^{-4}$

## Applications: II. Inexact Preconditioning

$$Hx = b \quad \longrightarrow \quad H\mathcal{P}^{-1}\bar{x} = b, \quad x = \mathcal{P}^{-1}\bar{x}$$

$\mathcal{P}^{-1}$  not performed exactly (use Krylov method)

$H\mathcal{P}^{-1}v_k$  replaced with  $H\tilde{z}_k$ ,  $\tilde{z}_k \approx \mathcal{P}^{-1}v_k$

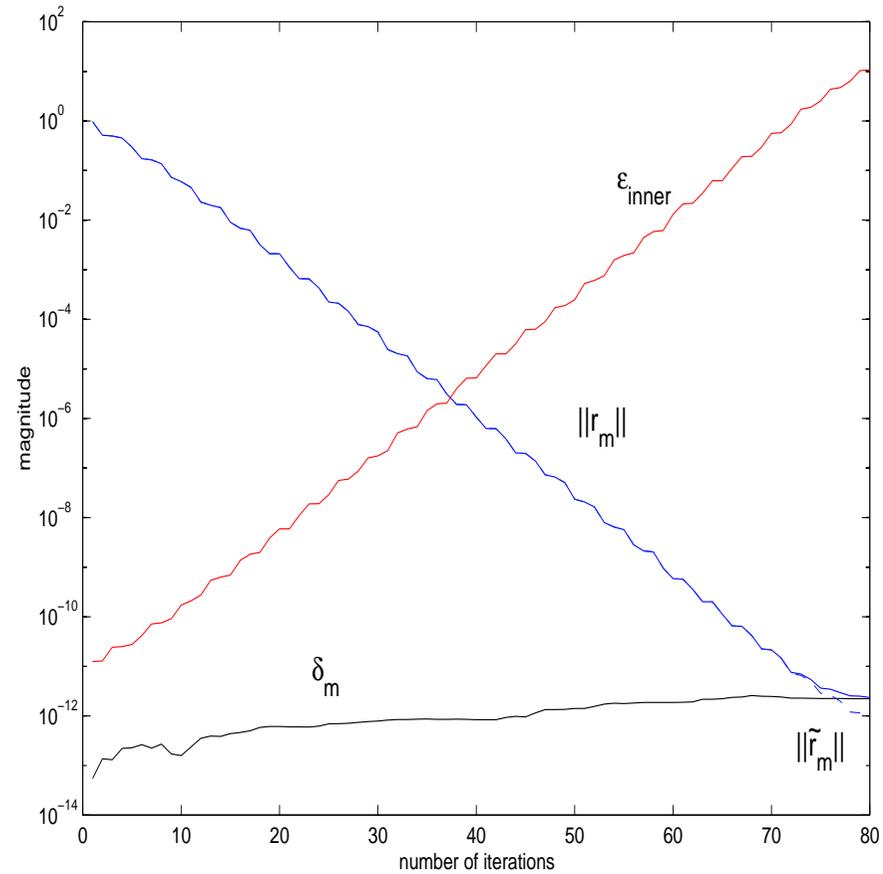
Arnoldi relation  $H\mathcal{P}^{-1}V_m = V_{m+1}H_{m+1,m}$  is transformed into

$$H[\tilde{z}_1, \dots, \tilde{z}_m] = V_{m+1}H_{m+1,m}.$$

Use Flexible Krylov subspace method

$r_k^{inner} = v_k - \mathcal{P}\tilde{z}_k$  inner residual

$$\|r_k^{inner}\| \leq \frac{\sigma_{m_*}(H_{m_*})}{\|H\mathcal{P}^{-1}\|_{m_*}} \frac{1}{\|\tilde{r}_{k-1}^{gm}\|} \varepsilon \equiv \varepsilon_{inner}$$



For same 2D saddle point, use  $\mathcal{P} = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & B^T B \end{bmatrix}$ . Solve  $B^T B p_k = rhs$  iteratively,  $m_\star = 80$ ,  $\epsilon = 10^{-9}$ , tolerance  $\epsilon_{inner}$

## Some CPU Times: Same Magnetostatic 2D Problem

Outer tolerance:  $10^{-8}$

### Elapsed Time

CPU in seconds of a Sun Enterprise 4500 (Fortran code)  
(4 CPU 400MHertz, 2GBytes RAM) CG iterations.

Problem Size	Fixed Inner Tol $\epsilon_{inner} = 10^{-10}$	Var. Inner Tol. $10^{-10} / \ r\ $	Var. Inner Tol. $10^{-12} / \ r\ $
3810	17.0 (54)	11.4 (54)	14.7 (54)
9102	82.9 (58)	62.8 (58)	70.7 (58)
14880	198.4 (54)	156.5 (54)	170.1 (54)

Applications:  
III. Parabolic Control Problems (W i P)  
First Example

**Inverse problem:** Recover control  $u(x)$  based on field (state)  $z(x)$  related by the forward problem (3D):

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta z &= z_t, & x \in \Omega \\ z &= u, & x \in \partial\Omega \\ z &= z_0, & x \in \Omega/\partial\Omega, \quad \text{for } t = 0\end{aligned}$$

## Discretized forward problem (FD)

$$Ez - \delta t N u = c.$$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} B & & & & & \\ -I & B & & & & \\ & -I & B & & & \\ & & \ddots & \ddots & & \\ & & & -I & B & \end{bmatrix}}_E \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \\ \vdots \\ z_s \end{bmatrix}}_z - \delta t \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} M \\ M \\ \vdots \\ M \end{bmatrix}}_N u = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} z_0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}_c$$

where  $z_i \approx z(t_i)$ ,  $B = (I + \delta t A_h)$ , with  $A_h$  discretization of  $\Delta$ .

## Optimization problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \phi = \frac{1}{2} \|Q\mathbf{z} - d^{obs}\|^2 \\ \text{subject to} \quad & E\mathbf{z} - \delta t N u = c. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Lagrangian} \quad L(\mathbf{z}, u, \lambda) = \frac{1}{2} \|Q\mathbf{z} - d^{obs}\|^2 + \lambda^T (E\mathbf{z} - \delta t N u - c)$$

Linearize to obtain

$$\begin{bmatrix} Q^T Q & 0 & E^T \\ 0 & 0 & N^T \\ E & N & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{z} \\ u \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} L_u \\ L_m \\ L_\lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

## Reduced Hessian

After elimination one has  $Hu = -p$

$$H u = N^T E^{-T} Q^T Q E^{-1} N u = -p.$$

Use, e.g., with inexact CG, approximating each of the the systems with  $E$  and  $E^T$  with CG with varying (increasing) tolerance.

MVP  $Hv$

1. Multiply  $Nv$
2. Solve  $Ez = Nv$  by solving  $Ez = Nv$  with an inner tolerance  $\epsilon_{in_1}$
3. Multiply  $Qz$
4. Multiply  $Q^T Qz$
5. Solve  $E^T w = Q^T Qz$  by solving with an inner tolerance  $\epsilon_{in_2}$
6. Compute  $N^T w$

## Experiments

$16 \times 16 \times 16$  grid. control  $u$  of order 3375, 10 time steps.

fixed	fixed	decreasing	increasing
$10^{-14}$	$10^{-7}$	$10^{-3} \cdot \ \tilde{r}_{k-1}\ $	$10^{-8} / \ \tilde{r}_{k-1}\ $
35/23812	41/15250	48/18982	47/8689

Outer iterations / total inners = total matvecs with Laplacian.

Outer  $\varepsilon = 10^{-7}$

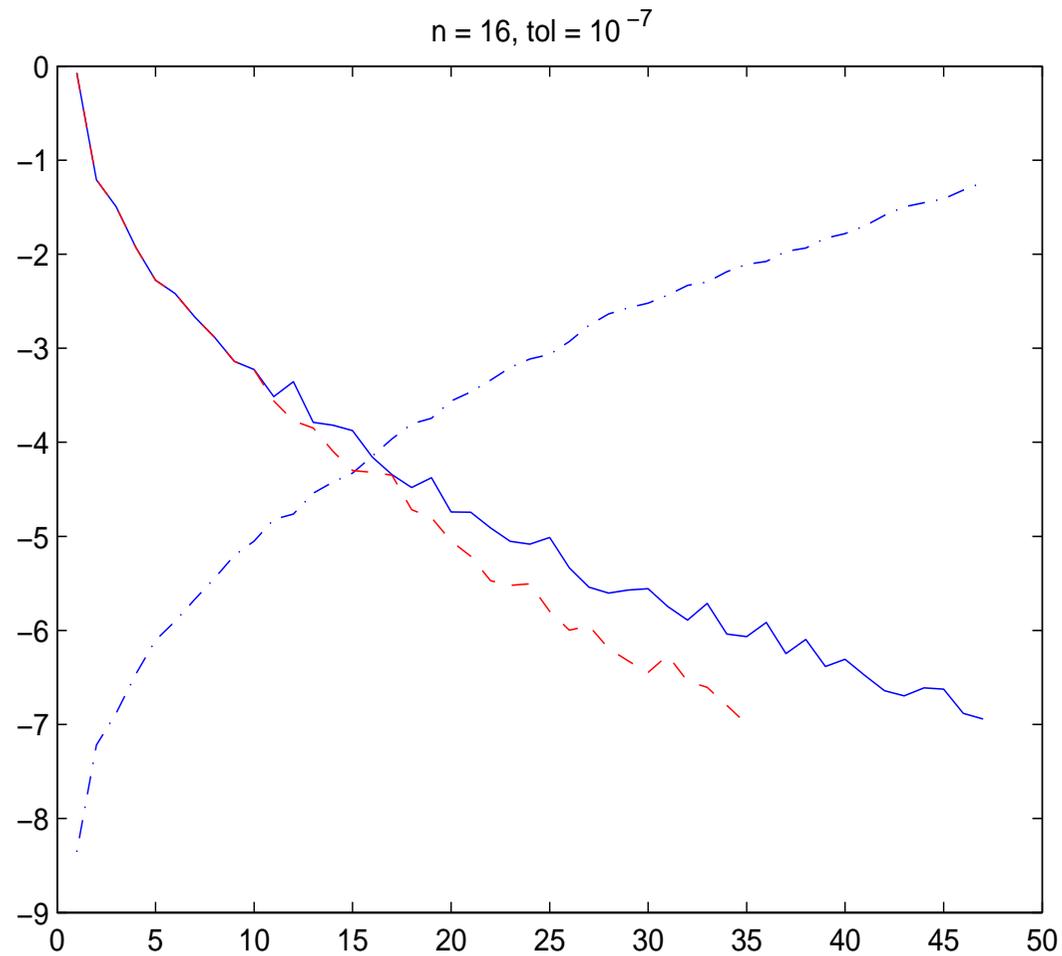
There is a “delay”

12 more outer iter. than “exact”, 6 more than fixed

but **savings of 64%, and 43%**

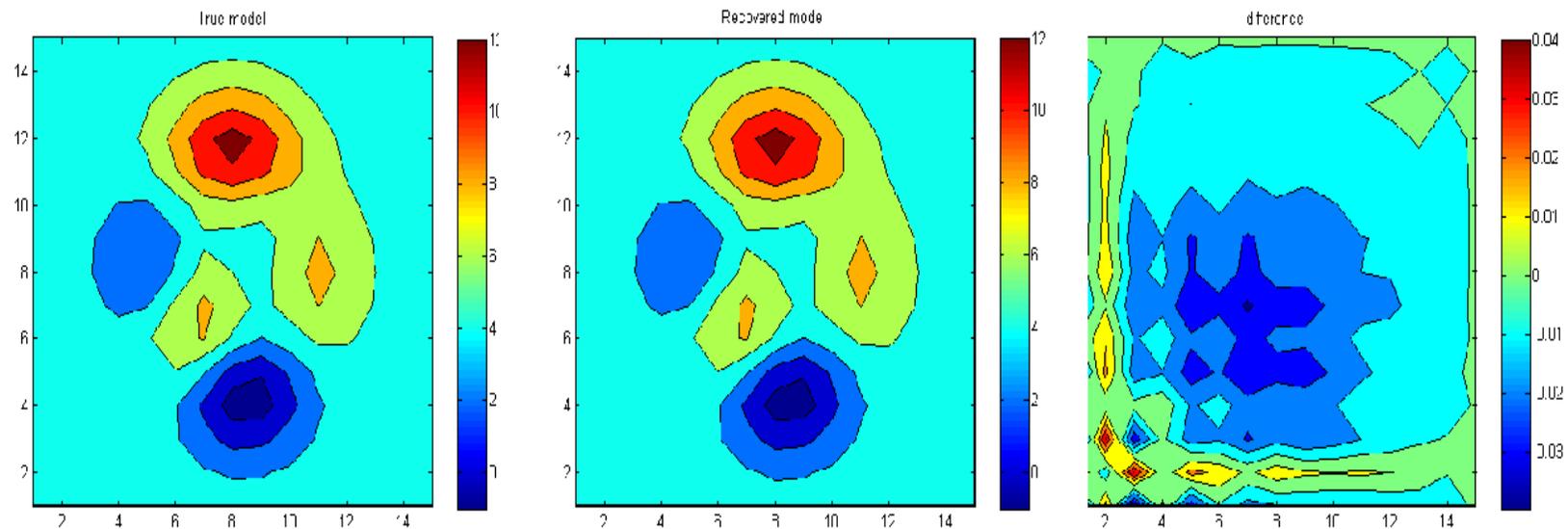
# Illustration of “delay”, cheaper by a factor of about THREE

--- exact CG, — inexact CG, - · - · -  $\epsilon_{inner}$



One surface of true and recovered model,  
and their difference

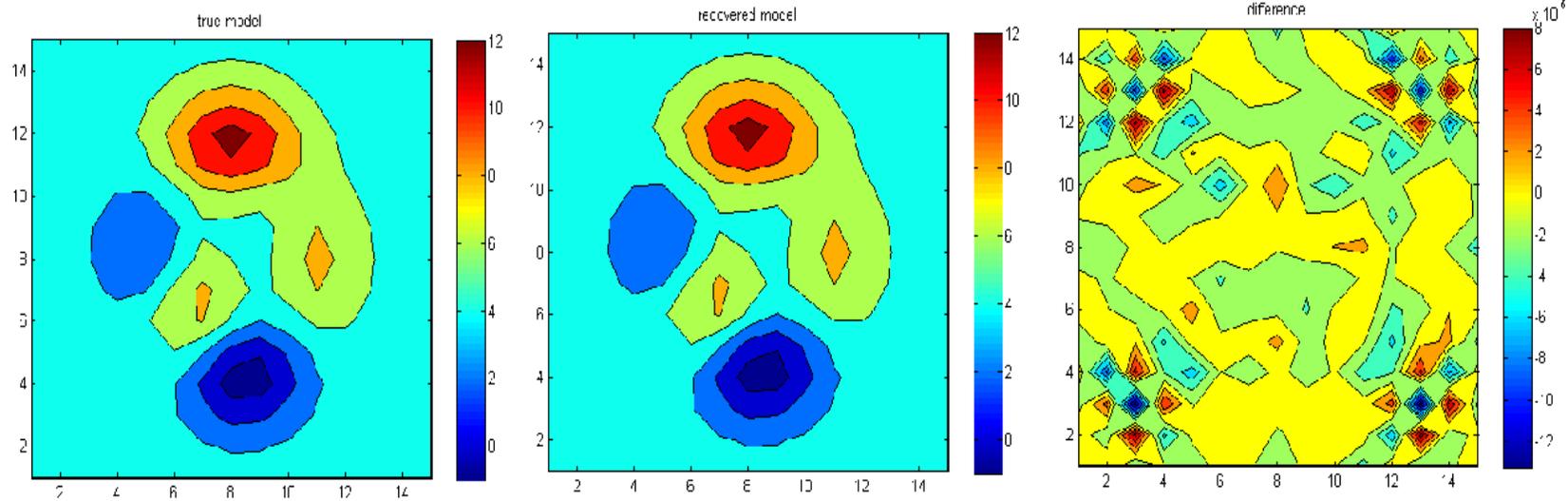
decreasing  $\epsilon_{inner} = 10^{-3} \cdot \|\tilde{r}_{k-1}\|$



error  $O(10^{-3})$

One surface of true and recovered model,  
and their difference

increasing  $\epsilon_{inner} = 10^{-8} / \|\tilde{r}_{k-1}\|$



error  $O(10^{-6})$

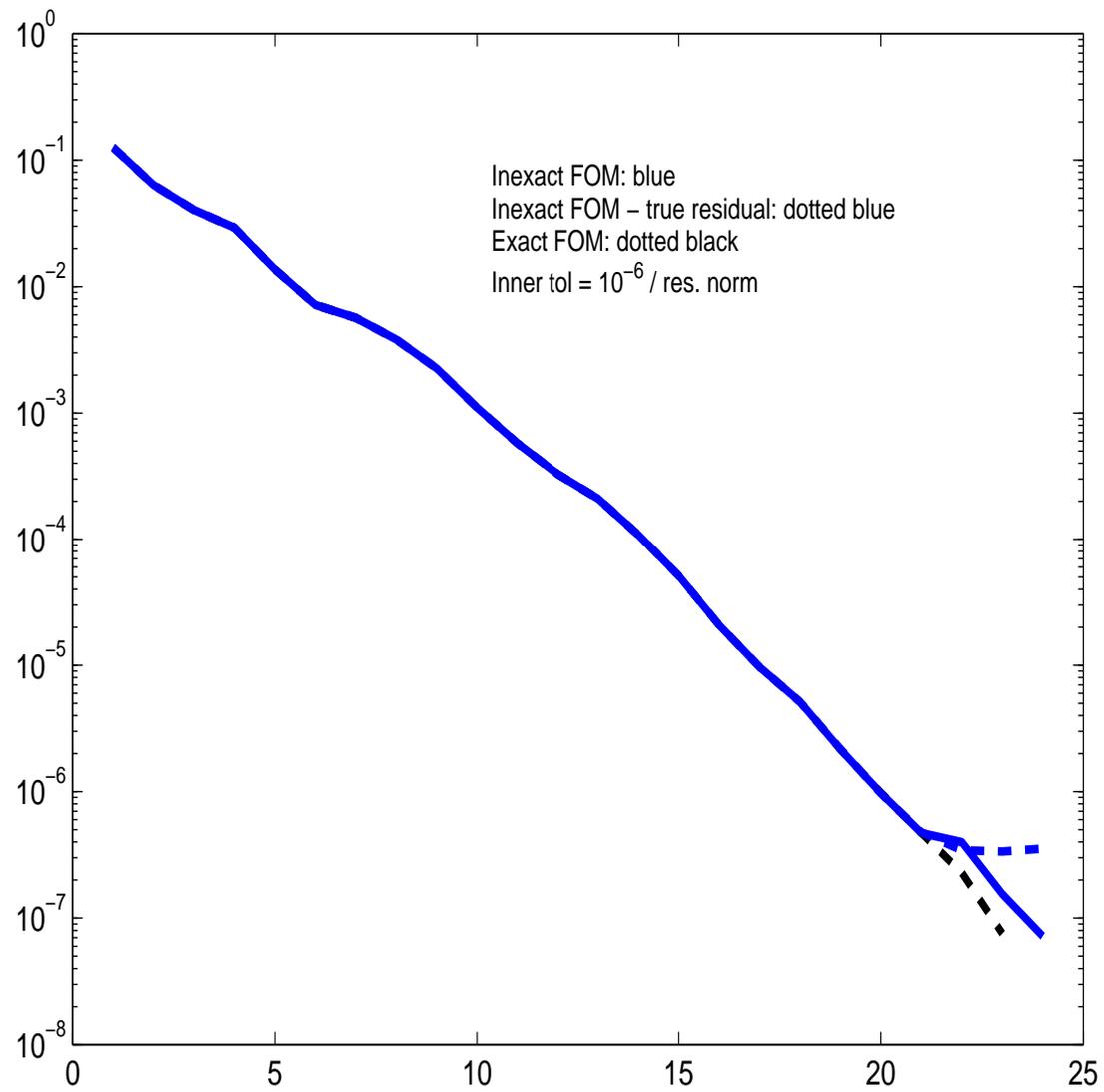


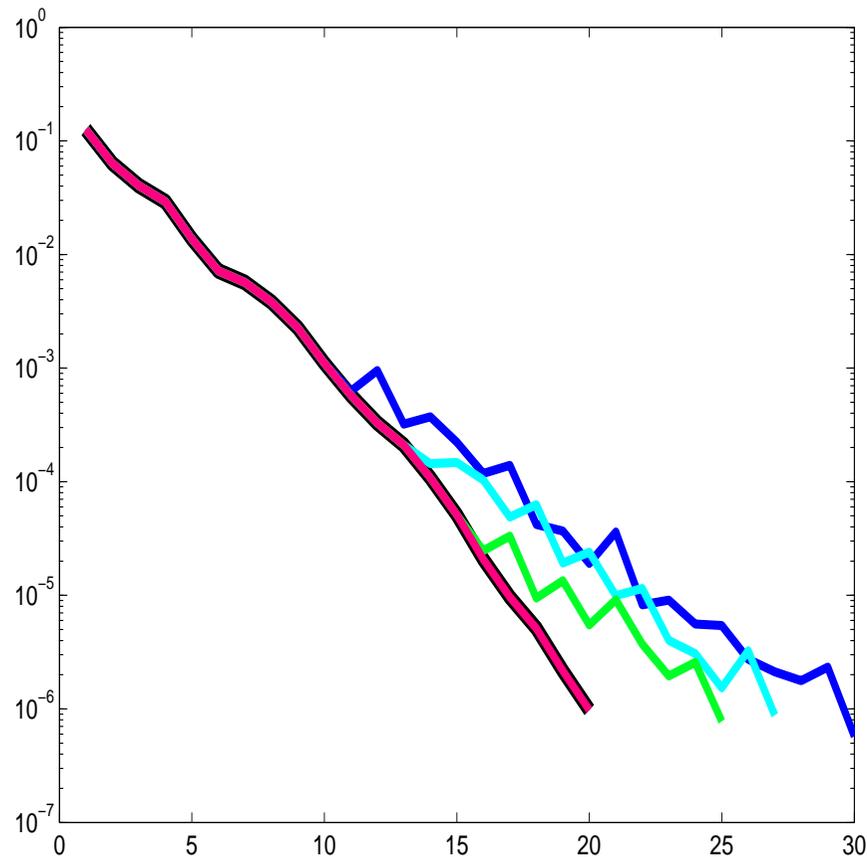
Here we approximate  $\mathbf{E}$  with  $\mathbf{E}_n$ ,  $n$  sweeps of the Parareal Algorithm

We use our theory to find  $\varepsilon_{inner}$  which determine how many sweeps we use.

**Example.** Find  $u$  so that  $z$  is closest to  $z_*$ , subject to  $z_t - z_{xx} = u$ ,  $0 < x < 1$ ,  $t > 0$ . with initial and boundary data.

Discretize  $\delta x = 1/16$  and  $\delta t = 1/64$ . System size 1024.





	sweeps (outer it.)
IFOM	161 (20)
$m = 12$	188 (25)
$m = 8$	201 (27)
$m = 1$	220 (30)

Computed residual: Inexact truncated FOM, semiband  $m = 20$ ,  
 $m = 8$  and  $m = 1$  (ICG) (blue).

For the stopping criteria we use  $\ell_n^{(1)} = \ell_n^{(2)} = 1 (10^{-6} \|r_0\| / \|r_{m-1}\|)$

## Conclusions

- Inexact matrix-vector product (or inexact preconditioning) might be worth trying for your problem
- Truncated methods might be worth trying for your problem

With **Valeria Simoncini**:

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